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greetings

HEY BOOMERS!

Welcome to another heart-stopping issue of *STC!* As our topical front cover shows, not everything's rosy in the garden for your favourite blue hedgehog. The Floating Island is under attack in the new Sonic story **Order And Chaos** and the Emerald Hill Zone has been turned into a dangerous jungle zone in part two of the Double Sonic story **Root Of All Evil**. Don't panic, though, you can be sure Sonic will weed out the trouble-makers!

Elsewhere, Knuckles and Porker Lewis are still having no fun **On The Run** in the Special Zone, but lurve is in the air at Castle Frank N Stein... so much so that Chuck has completely lost his head! Finally, there's a captivating Sonic and Amy pin-up at the heart of this issue, not to mention a specially-themed Graphic Zone. With all this and a free Sonic key-ring for every Boomer, who said we droids didn't have a heart!

Megadroid

SUN-PAT COMPO WINNERS

In issue 115, utterly nutty SUN-PAT Peanut Butter teamed up with *STC* to give five lucky Boomers the chance to zoom off on a totally cool mountain bike. Hundreds of entries were received and printed below are the names of the five winners. Congratulations to them and commiserations to all the other entrants.

These five biking Boomers have each received a Giant mountain bike:

Robert Morton, Falmouth, Cornwall.

Nicholas Attwood, Ipswich, Suffolk.

Steve Bartley, Gateshead, Tyne & Wear.

Max Aboudara, Wimbledon, London.

Robert Band, Aylesbury, Bucks.

SONIC

ORDER & CHAOS

new PART 1

Script: NIGEL KITCHING B & w art: RICHARD ELSON
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SONIC AND TAILS CHECK OUT A REPORT OF STRANGE AIRCRAFT HEADING TOWARDS THE FLOATING ISLAND.

WE'VE GOT **TROUBLE**, TAILS — THAT'S AN **INVASION FORCE!**

TAKE US LOWER TO FIND OUT WHO IT IS...!

OH **NO**, IT'S THE **DRAKON EMPIRE!**

BUT, SONIC, WHAT DO THEY WANT WITH THE **FLOATING ISLAND?**

THINK, PIXEL-BRAIN! WHAT'S ON THE FLOATING ISLAND THAT IS **REALLY** VALUABLE?

YOU MEAN THEY'RE AFTER THE **CHAOS EMERALDS?**

NO, I MEAN THEY WANT TO GET THEIR HANDS ON KNUCKLES' **STAMP COLLECTION!**

SHEESH! OF **COURSE** I MEAN THE CHAOS EMERALDS!

I'LL GET OFF HERE! YOU FIND SOMEWHERE TO LAND THE PLANE AND GET BACK TO ME AS SOON AS YOU CAN!

BUT, SONIC, SHOULDN'T WE HAVE SOME KIND OF **PLAN?**

I HAVE A PLAN!

I PLAN TO **WIN!**

LOOK OUT!

SHRAAK!

Y'KNOW, IF I THOUGHT I HAD TO TAKE ON ALL YOU GUYS BY MYSELF I **MIGHT** BE A LITTLE WORRIED!

GET HIM!

BUT **KNUCKLES** SHOULD BE ALONG TO HELP ME ANY MOMENT NOW!

GUARDING THE CHAOS EMERALDS IS REALLY **HIS** JOB... I'M JUST **HELPING OUT!**

PROSECUTORS, **HALF** YOUR SENTINELS WILL REMAIN HERE TO CONTAIN SONIC.

THE OTHER HALF WILL COME WITH ME!

ACTUALLY **NOW** WOULD BE A REAL GOOD TIME FOR KNUCKLES TO TURN UP!

WHERE THE **HECK** IS THAT FLIPPING ECHIDNA?*

*TO FIND OUT WHAT HAS BECOME OF KNUCKLES CHECK OUT HIS OWN STRIP FURTHER ON IN THIS ISSUE – *Megadroid.*

THE PLANS SHOW THERE SHOULD BE AN OPENING HERE SOMEWHERE...

SENTINEL, SEARCH THE GROUND!

A METAL RING! THAT **MUST** BE IT!

YOU ARE **CORRECT**. WHERE DID YOU GET THIS INFORMATION ON THE ANCIENT TUNNELS OF THE FLOATING ISLAND?

THAT'S **MY** SECRET...

SENTINEL, **INVESTIGATE** THE TUNNEL.

YOU DISABLED THE FLOATING ISLAND'S FORCE FIELDS AND YOU HAVE FOUND THIS ENTRANCE... THE EMPEROR WAS **RIGHT** TO TRUST YOU!

JUST SO LONG AS HE KEEPS **HIS** SIDE OF THE BARGAIN...

KROOM

AAAAA!

WHAT?

I SEE YOU'VE MET ONE OF THE ISLAND'S **GUARDIANS!**

BAH! I WAS **HOPING** KNUCKLES DIDN'T HAVE ANY OF THESE DEFENSIVE ROBOTS OPERATIONAL YET!

NO MATTER, IT CAN **EASILY** BE DEALT WITH!

TWO SENTINELS WITH **ME**... THE REST **DESTROY** THAT ROBOT!

THIS TUNNEL SHOULD BRING US OUT STRAIGHT INTO THE MAIN PASSAGEWAY...

WATCH OUT FOR ANY STRAY **ROBOTS** DOWN THERE!

KROOM

KROOM

KROOM

WE'RE **THROUGH!** THIS IS IT!

THERE THEY ARE... **THE CHAOS EMERALDS!**

WITH THEIR POWER THE DRAKON EMPIRE WILL **RULE** THE GALAXY!

BY RIGHTS THESE EMERALDS **BELONG** TO THE **DRAKON EMPIRE**... THEY WERE **STOLEN** FROM US MANY THOUSANDS OF YEARS AGO!

THAT'S **ANCIENT HISTORY**... NOTHING TO DO WITH **ME!**

ALL I CARE ABOUT IS THAT THE EMPEROR PAYS ME WHAT HE **PROMISED!**

AH, **SONIC**. I SEE YOU ARE NOW OUR **CAPTIVE!**

TAKE A **GOOD LOOK** AT THE CHAOS EMERALDS. THEY'RE NOT GOING TO BE HERE FOR MUCH LONGER!

HEY, THESE BOZOS DIDN'T **BEAT** ME... I JUST FIGURED THIS WAS THE **EASIEST** WAY FOR ME TO FIND OUT WHAT YOU'RE UP TO!

JUST **WHO** ARE YOU ANYWAY... YOU TALK AS IF YOU **KNOW ME?**

PREPARE YOURSELF FOR A **SHOCK**, SONIC...

GRIMER? BUT...BUT YOU WORK FOR **DOCTOR ROBOTNIK!**

NOT ANY MORE! THE DRAKON EMPIRE MADE ME A **BETTER** OFFER!

I WAS SICK OF THAT OVERBEARING, LOUD-MOUTHED **LOSER!**

THIS TIME I'M GOING TO BE ON THE **WINNING SIDE!**

KNUCKLES, IF YOU'RE GOING TO SHOW UP, NOW WOULD BE A **REALLY** GOOD TIME!

NEXT ISSUE: **ONE OF OUR EMERALDS IS MISSING!**

KNUCKLES PART 3

ON THE RUN

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PORKER LEWIS HAS BEEN MISTAKEN FOR WANTED CRIMINAL OSCAR THE PIG... BUT WEIRD STUFF LIKE THAT IS ALWAYS HAPPENING IN THE SPECIAL ZONE.

ESPIO AND MIGHTY HAVE BEEN SENT TO INVESTIGATE.

HEY, WHAT'S GOING ON HERE?

IT'S HAMMERHEAD... HE JUST WENT CRAZY!

I MEAN EVERYONE KNOWS HOW *DANGEROUS* HE IS, SO WE JUST KEEP OUT OF HIS WAY...

BUT THIS PIG CAME IN AND...

PIG?

IT LOOKS LIKE WE'VE *FOUND* PORKER LEWIS...

AND HE'S IN EVEN *WORSE TROUBLE* THAN WE THOUGHT!

MEANWHILE, BACK INSIDE THE BAR...

HAMMERHEAD, LISTEN TO ME. I'M NOT OSCAR THE PIG! MY NAME IS PORKER... YOU'RE MAKING A MISTAKE!

I'VE NEVER BEEN ON THE END OF SUCH A SAVAGE ATTACK! THAT HAMMERHEAD IS EVEN TOUGHER THAN HE LOOKS!

YOU AND I HAVE UNFINISHED BUSINESS, OSCAR!

I... I HONESTLY DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT!

THEN PERHAPS THIS WILL JOG YOUR MEMORY!

THAT TEMPER OF YOURS IS GOING TO GET YOU INTO ALL KINDS OF TROUBLE, PAL!

WHO'S THERE?

JUST ME... ESPIO THE CHAMELEON!

I'VE HEARD OF YOU, YOU'RE ONE OF THE RIDICULOUS CHAOTIX CREW!

YOU SHOULD HAVE STAYED *INVISIBLE*, FOOL!

UGH!

WHAM!

LUCKY FOR *YOU* I WAS HERE TO *SAVE* YOU AGAIN, ESPIO!

MIGHTY, YOU KNUCKLE-HEAD! I DIDN'T NEED YOUR HELP... I HAD HIM JUST WHERE I WANTED HIM!

SURE YOU DID!

WAKK!

IDIOTS! YOU'RE BOTH IN *DESPERATE* NEED OF HELP! BUT THERE'S NO-ONE HERE TO SAVE YOU!

I WOULDN'T BE TOO *SURE* ABOUT THAT.

WHAT?

WAK-!

YOU CAUGHT ME OFF GUARD BEFORE!

BUT THIS TIME I'M READY FOR YOU!

WARP!

I KNOW YOUR TYPE, HAMMERHEAD... YOU LIKE TO DISH IT OUT!

CRA-AKKK!

WHAPP!

LET'S SEE IF YOU CAN TAKE IT!

I GUESS NOT...

YOU OKAY, PORKER?

HEY, IT'S US HE WAS ATTACKING, REMEMBER?

OKAY, EVERYONE STAY *EXACTLY* WHERE THEY ARE!

OH LOOK, IT'S *LIEUTENANT FUROR* AND THE BOYS IN BLUE... JUST WHEN WE *DON'T* NEED THEM!

I WANT *EVERYONE* TAKEN IN FOR QUESTIONING... AND THAT MEANS *THESE* CLOWNS, TOO!

NICE TO SEE *YOU* TOO, LIEUTENANT!

OSCAR THE PIG, NOW YOU'RE ONE CHARACTER THAT I *DIDN'T* EXPECT TO SEE AGAIN!

WAIT A MINUTE, LIEUTENANT...

THERE'S BEEN SOME *MISTAKE*, THIS *ISN'T* OSCAR THE PIG, IT'S *PORKER LEWIS!*

PORKER AND I ENDED UP IN THE SPECIAL ZONE BY *MISTAKE* AND...

KNUCKLES, IT'S OKAY, YOU NEEDN'T BOTHER TRYING TO EXPLAIN.

WHAT?

YOU SEE IT'S TRUE, IT'S *ALL* TRUE...

I AM OSCAR THE PIG!

NEXT ISSUE: PORKER'S GUILTY PAST!

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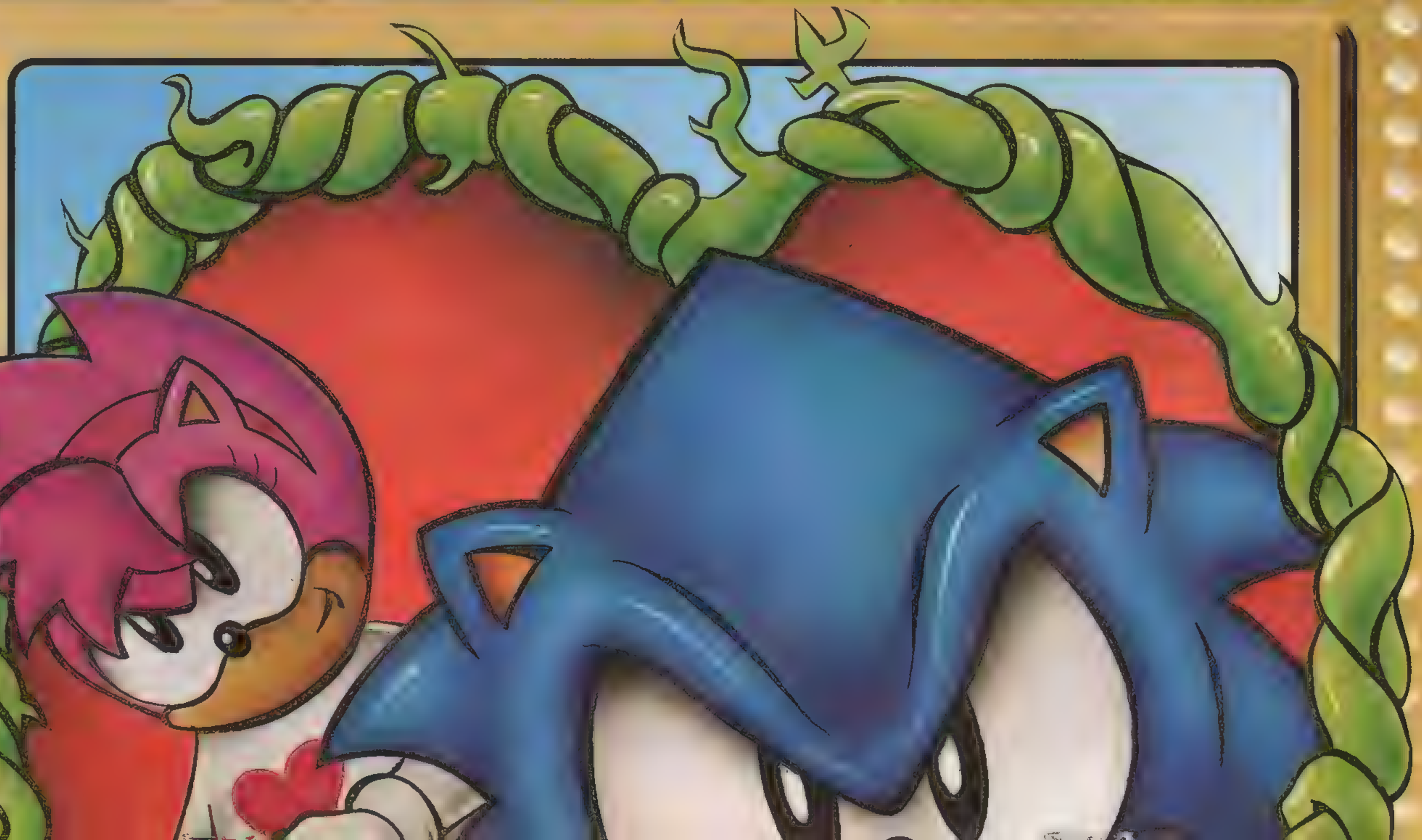

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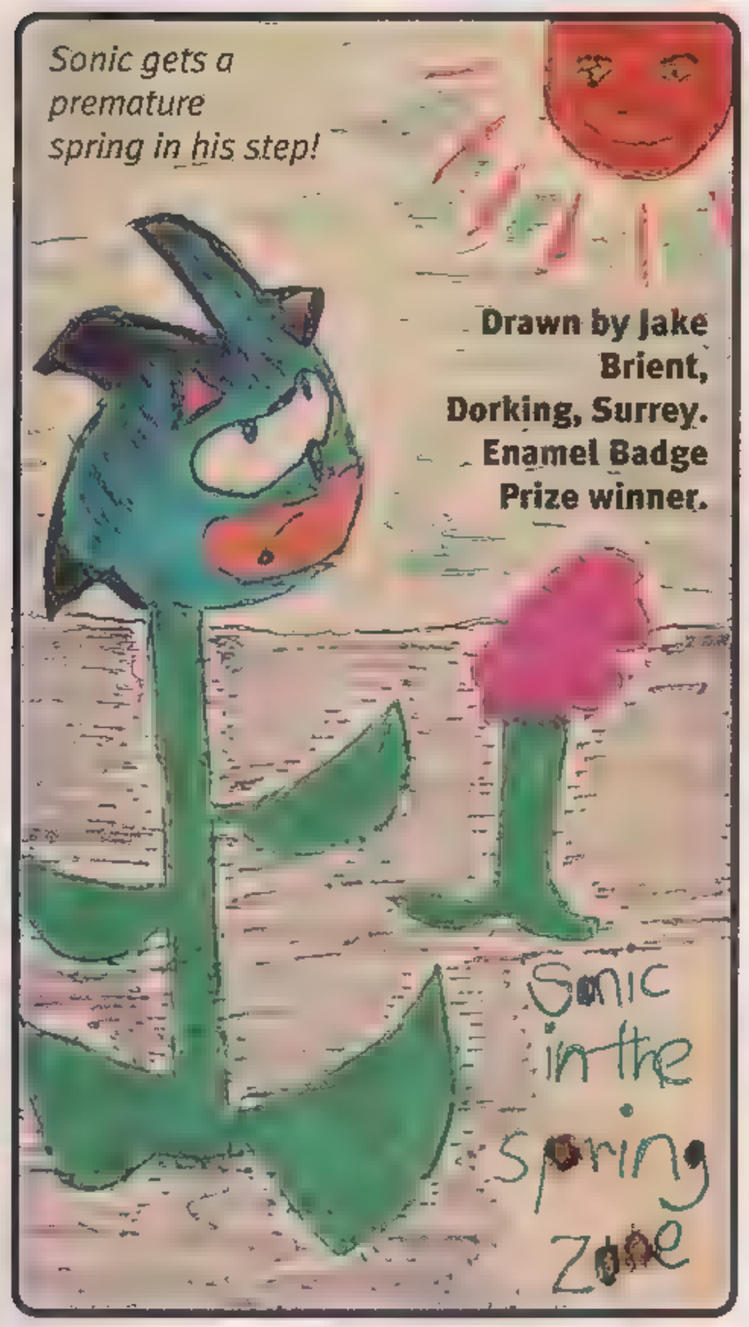
Sonic gets a premature spring in his step!
Drawn by Jake Brient, Dorking, Surrey. Enamel Badge Prize winner.
Sonic in the spring Zone

IN THE PINK

Dear Megadroid,
We all know how Sonic turned blue and got his spikes, but how did Amy turn pink and get her spikes?
Steven Powell,
Reading, Berks.
Enamel Badge Prize winner.

Could it be that an unimaginative hume chose pink because she's a she? Find out in a future issue of STC. As for the spikes, she'd be a strange hedgehog without them, Steven!

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BITTER-SWEET

Dear Megadroid,
I think it is rather strange that when Sonic's in a good mood he calls Tails "Little Buddy" but then at other times he's rude and calls him "Pixel Brain."
Adam Silas Jones, Ilkley, West Yorkshire.
Enamel Badge Prize winner.

If only folk could keep their cool like me, Adam! Unfortunately, Sonic can lash out at Tails when he's annoyed, but Sonic does appreciate how much of a good buddy he has in Tails.

PACK IT IN

Dear Megadroid,
Why have you moved Speedlines from the back of *STC* to the other side of the centre-page pin-up? When I put the picture on my wall I am unable to re-read Speedlines!
Robert Plews, Consett, Co. Durham.
Enamel Badge Prize winner.

Oh crumbs, Robert, it's those unreasonable humes again!

LOVE MATCH

Dear Megadroid,
I've been doing some thinking (which is a first for me) and I think Knuckles should have a girlfriend. So I took the liberty of making him one. Her name is Lyndsey the Echidna and I've enclosed a picture of her.
Raymond Lee, Croydon, Surrey.
Enamel Badge Prize winner.

Raymond also enclosed lengthy notes on Lyndsey's past. All I can say is "Watch out, Knuckles!".

Raymond Lee (see left), does a spot of echidna match-making.

Decap Attack

NEW PART

LOVE IS BLIND

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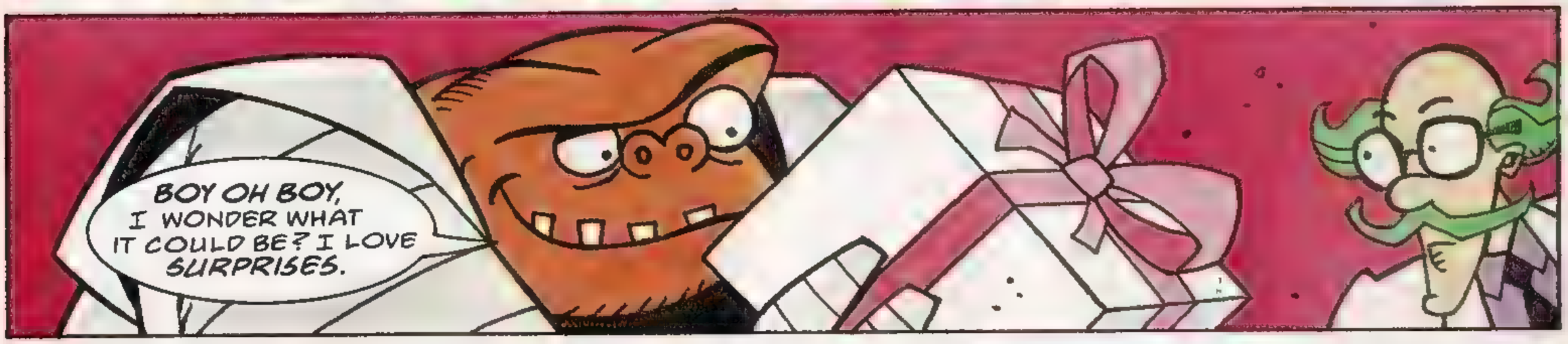

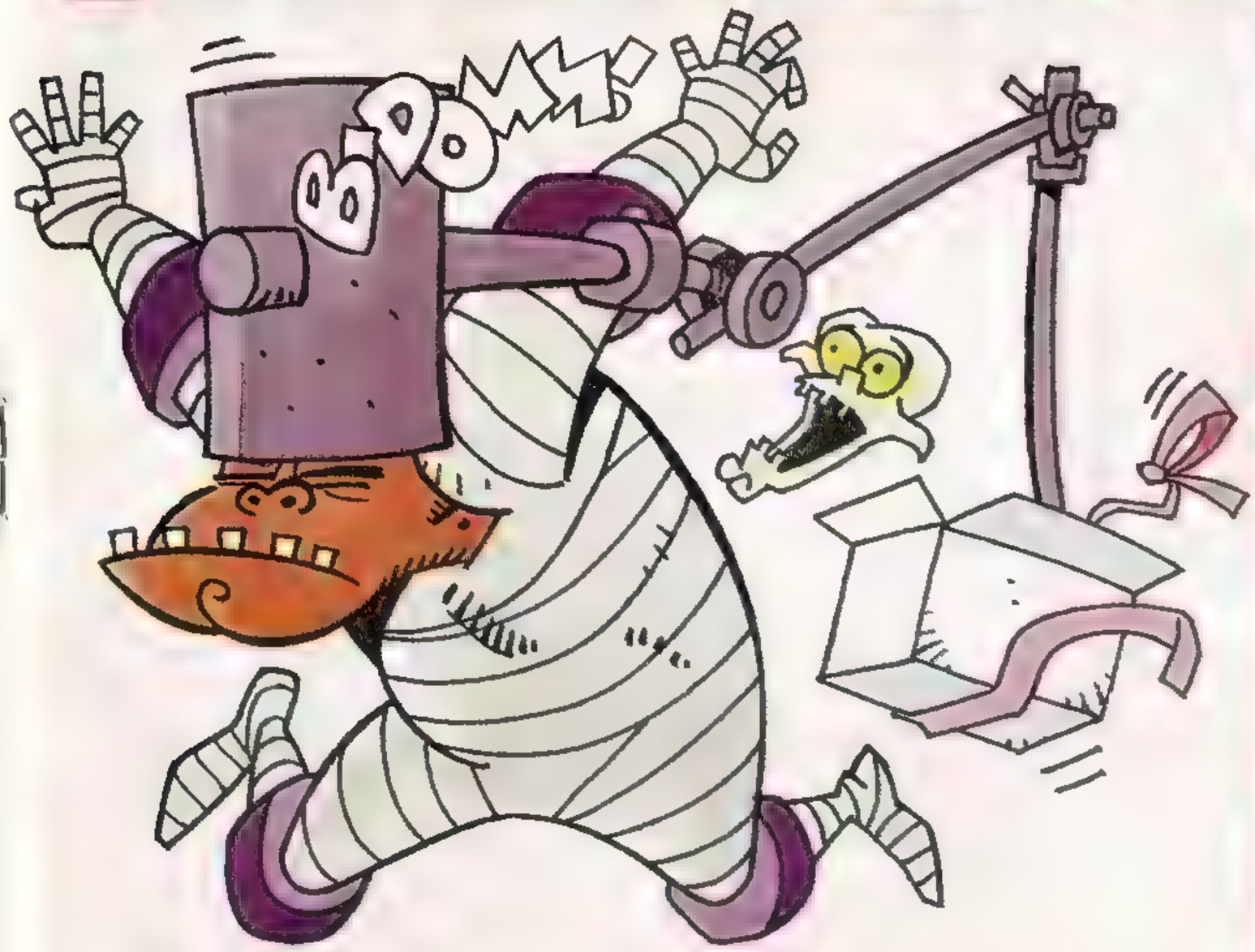

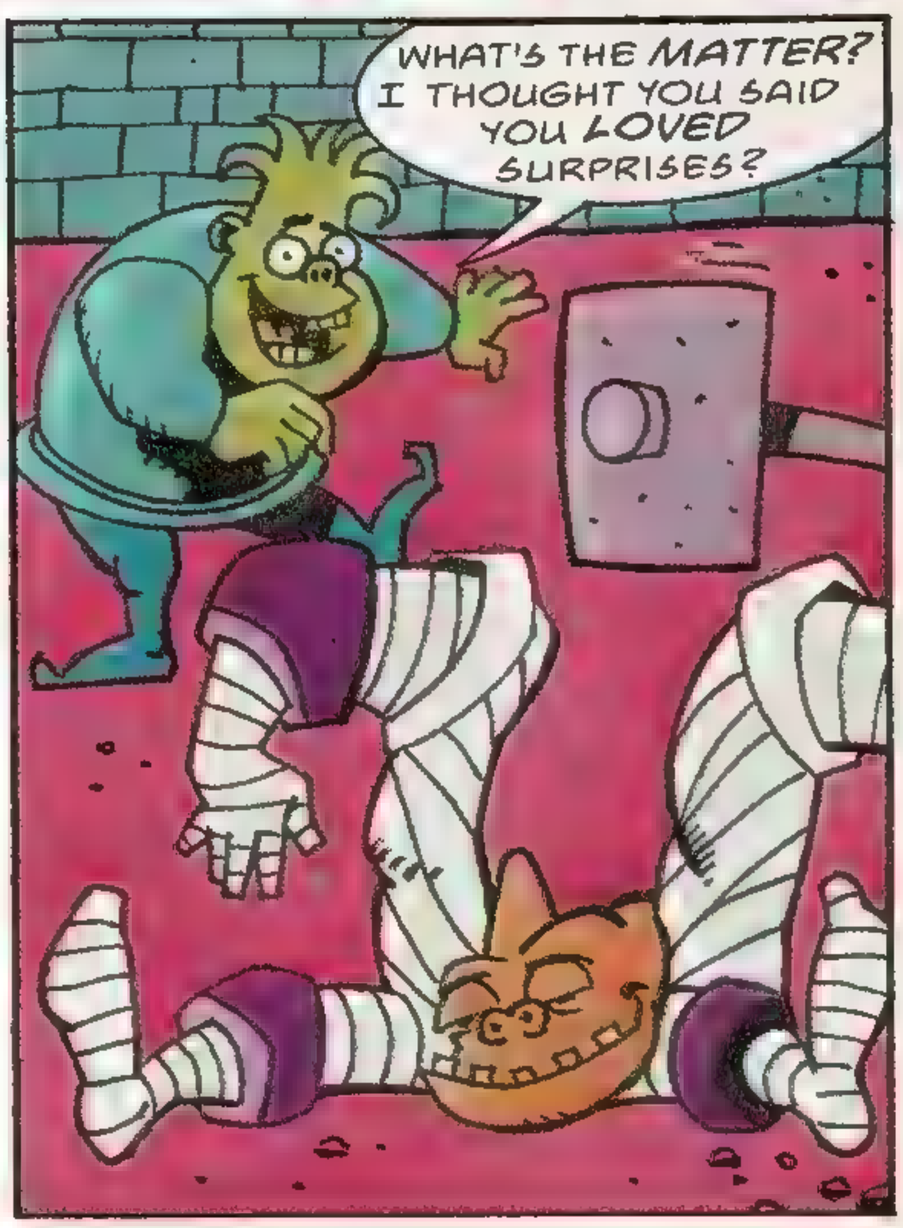

IGOR! YOU SENT THAT PACKAGE TO CHUCK, DIDN'T YOU?

YOU BET I DID, HEAD!

SO, YOU WANT TO MAKE SOMETHING OF IT, ORANGE BONCE?

THAT WAS REAL FUNNY, IGOR OLD PAL! I LIKE A LAUGH!

WHAT GOES ON?

LAST WEEK WHEN I STOOD ON HIS TOE, HE TRIED TO KILL ME!

CHUCK, WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU WEARING? AND WHAT'S WITH THE BOOKS?

OH, I'M JUST POPPING DOWN TO THE LIBRARY... I'LL BE BACK SOON.

LIBRARY? BUT HE CAN'T EVEN READ! THERE'S SOMETHING WEIRD GOING ON AROUND HERE!

MAYBE WE SHOULD FOLLOW HIM...

LATER, AT THE TRANSYLVANIAN LIBRARY.

BOOKS IN

NOW I GET IT!

YOU DO?

IT'S OBVIOUS, THAT STUPID GRIN, THE RIDICULOUS DAZED EXPRESSION...

INDIGESTION?

NO, STUPID CHUCK'S IN LOVE! YECCH, WHAT CAN SHE SEE IN HIM?

WAIT A MINUTE...

HEAD, DOES THIS LIBRARY HAVE A D.I.Y. SECTION?

I... I THINK SO.

HERE IT IS, JUST THE BOOK WE NEED... 'USEFUL THINGS YOU CAN MAKE OUT OF HOUSEHOLD OBJECTS'.

HEAD, WE NEED TWO MILK BOTTLES AND A COAT-HANGER.

IGOR, I'M BEGINNING TO WORRY ABOUT YOU!

SOON...

OKAY, HEAD, YOU KNOW THE PLAN! THIS IS GOING TO CALL FOR SPLIT SECOND TIMING!

READY?

READY.

SNAP

WHAT?

HERE, LADY, YOU NEED STRONGER GLASSES...AND HOW!

EEEEEK

DOROTHY, WHAT'S WRONG?

GET OUT, YOU GROTESQUE GARGOYLE FROM THE SULPHUR PITS OF THE ABYSS!

NO, IT'S ME, CHUCK, YOUR BELOVED!

LIBRARY

CHUCK, DID YOU SEE THAT LOATHSOME MONSTROSITY? CHUCK, WHERE ARE YOU?

BOY, LIBRARIANS SURE KNOW SOME BIG WORDS...

BACK AT THE CASTLE.

HOW COULD DOROTHY DO THIS TO ME?

BOY, I FEEL TERRIBLE... IT MUST BE THE SHOCK!

EEK!

I GOT YOU, CHUCK! I WIRED YOUR DOOR HANDLE UP TO THE MAINS! IT WAS ME... ME!

SO, WHAT'RE YOU GONNA DO ABOUT IT?

LET ME SHOW YOU...

ULP!

SEE, I TOLD YOU I'D GET THINGS BACK TO NORMAL...

IGOR, SOMETIMES I THINK YOU'RE TOO SMART FOR YOUR OWN GOOD!

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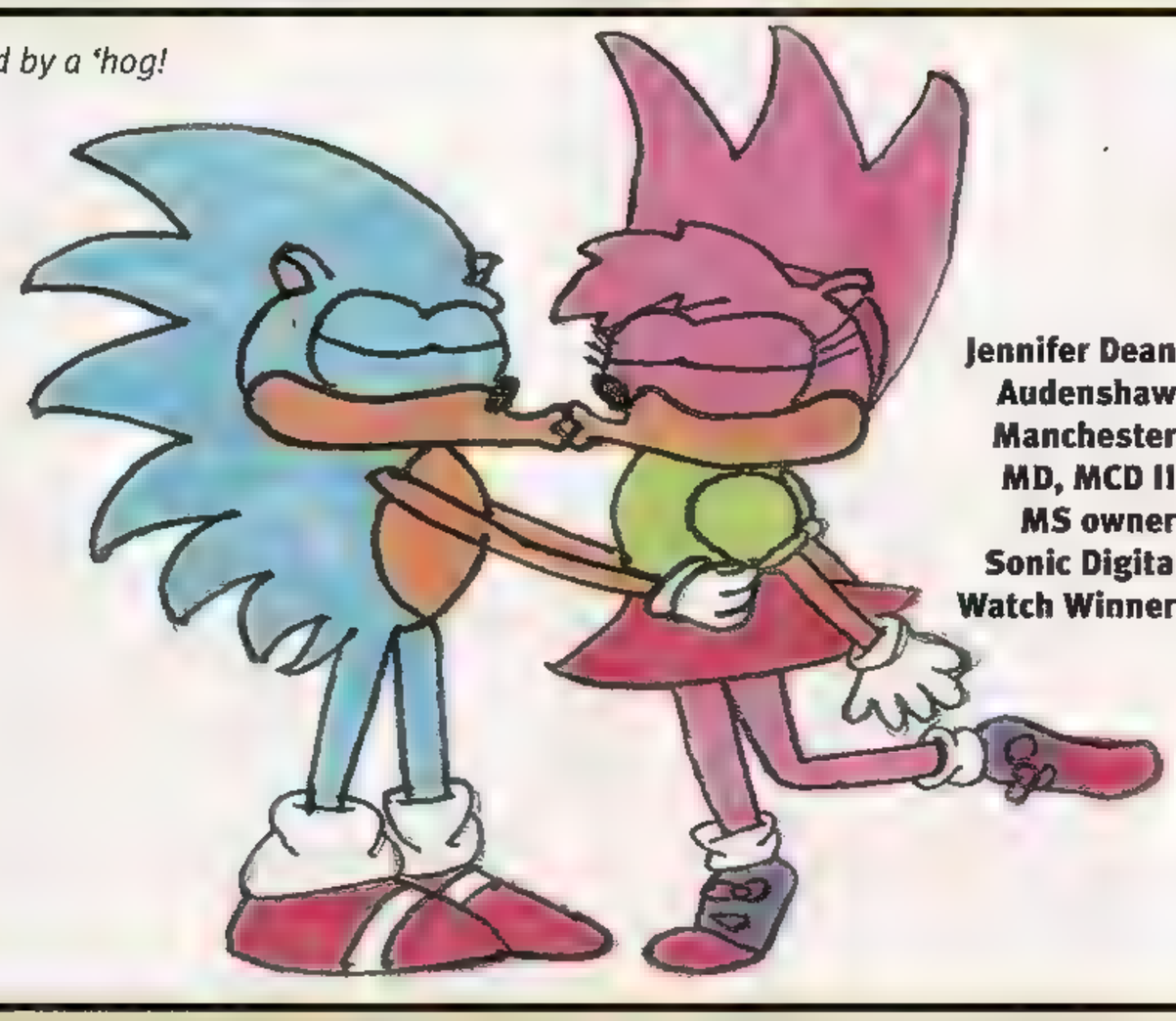

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Robotnik's Valentine

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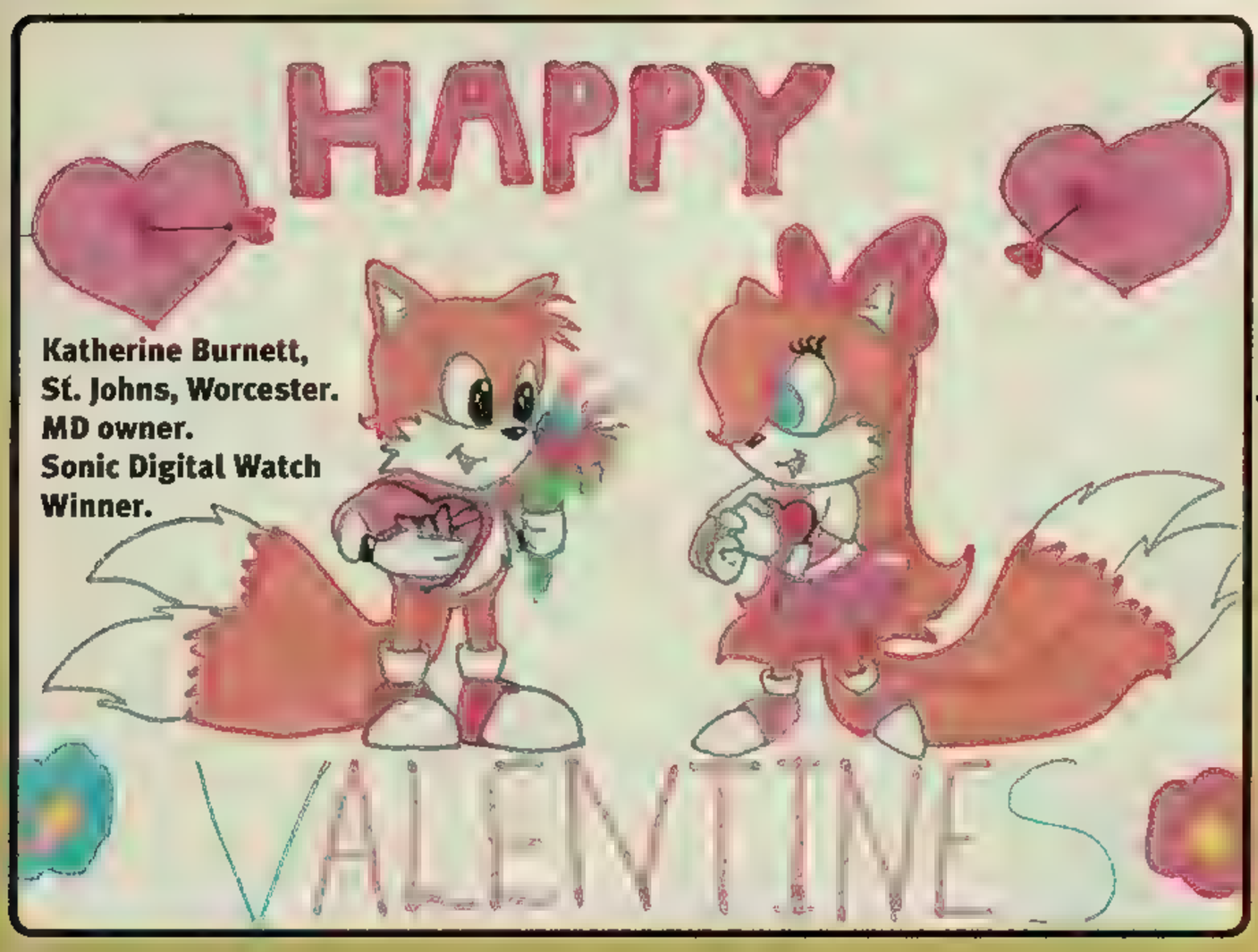

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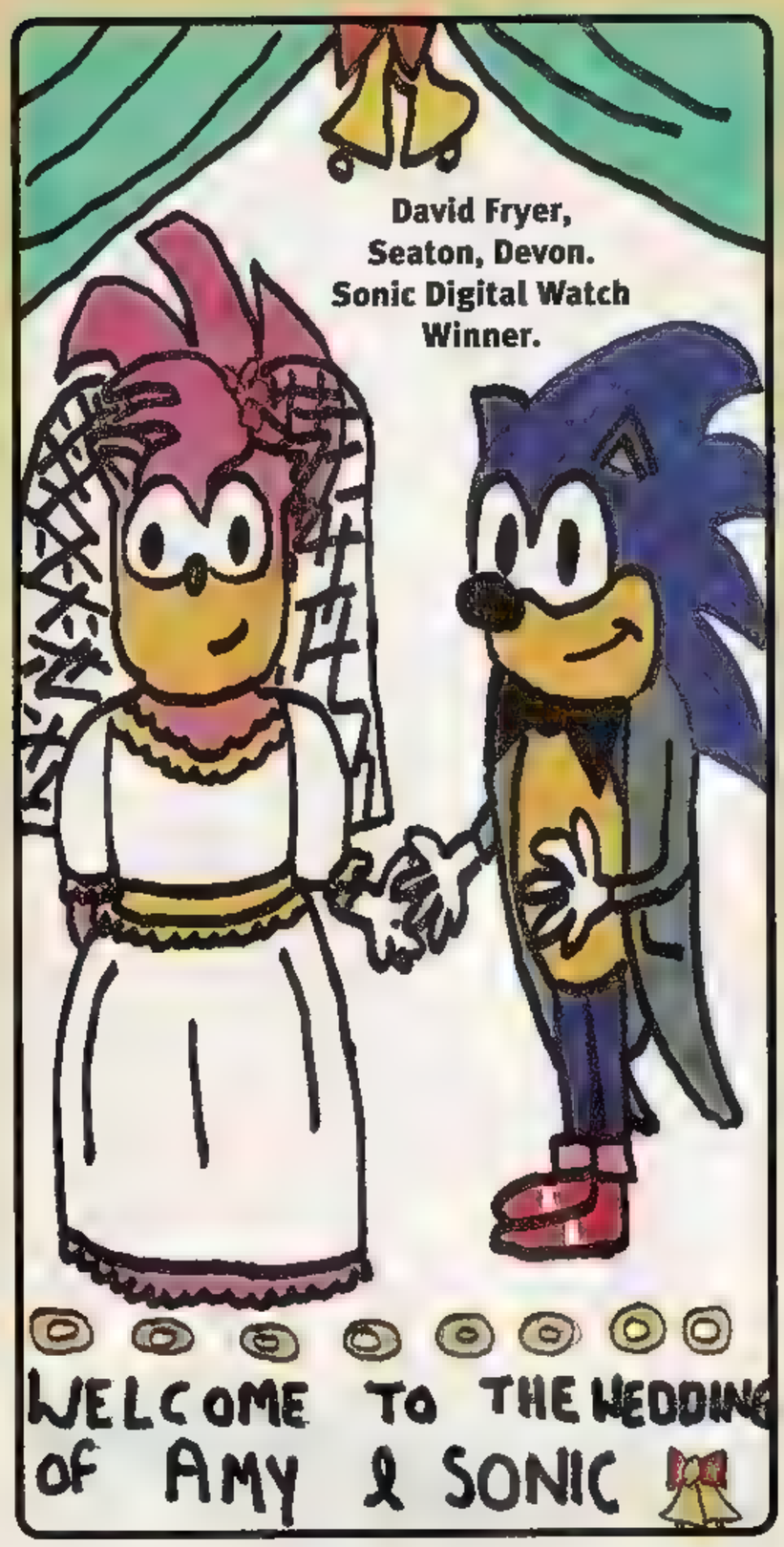

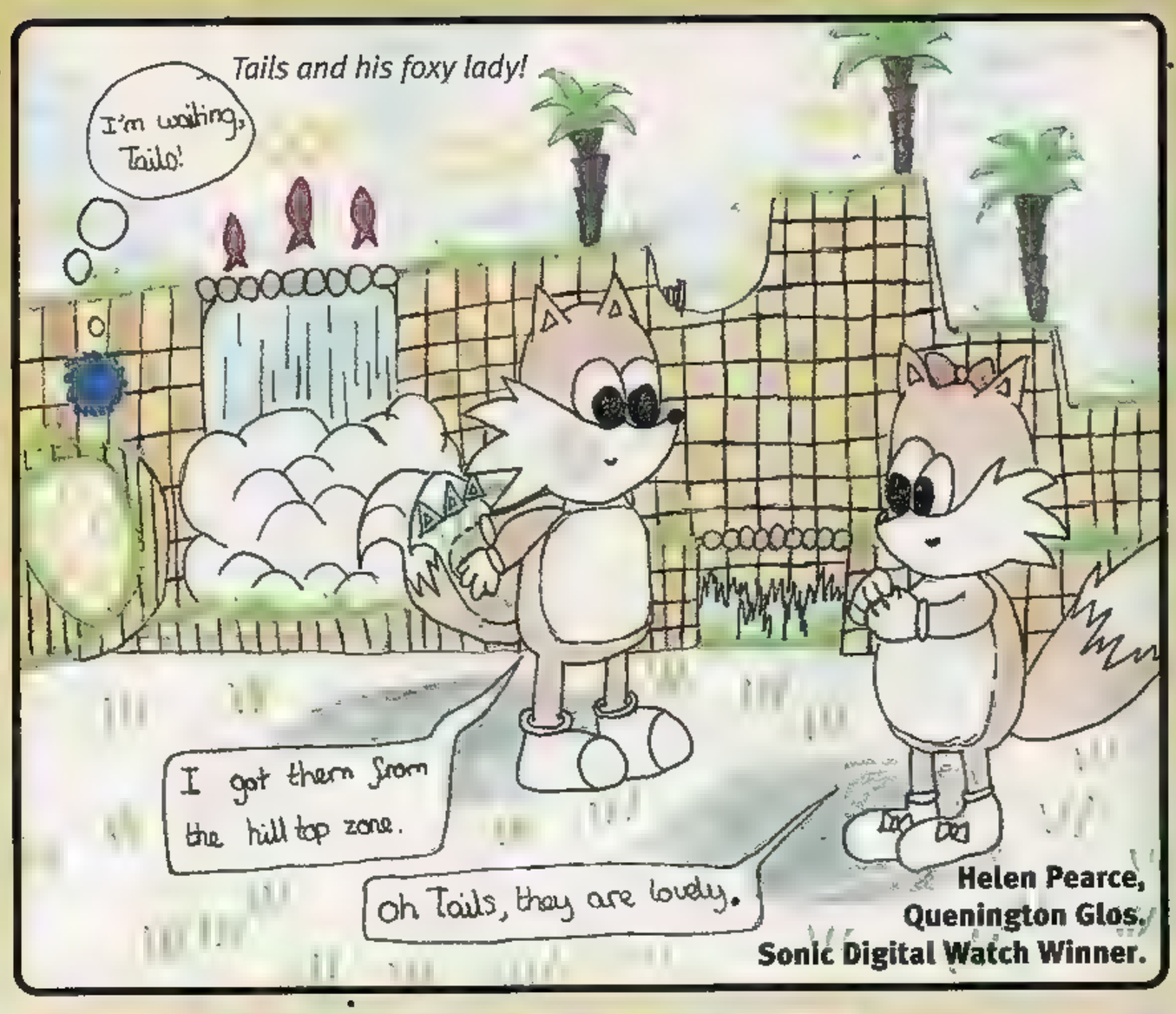
Tails and his foxy lady!
I'm waiting, Tails!
I got them from the hill top zone.
Oh Tails, they are lovely.
Helen Pearce,
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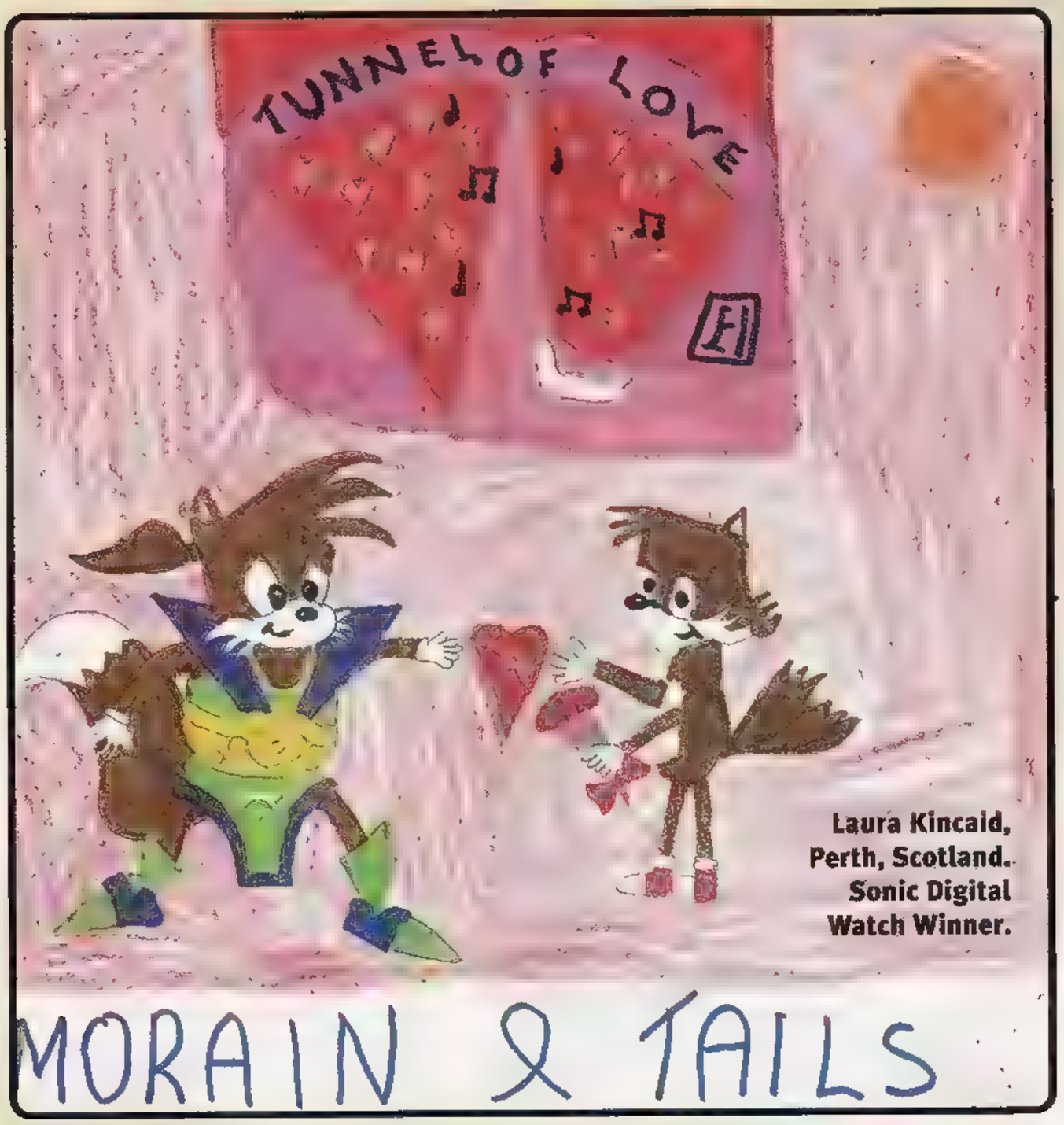

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PART 2

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RAPIDLY GROWING GIANT WEEDS HAVE SPREAD ALL OVER THE **METROPOLIS ZONE!** SONIC, AMY AND TEKNO ARE DETERMINED TO DO SOME SERIOUS PRUNING!

HELP! IT'S IMPOSSIBLE! THIS CAN'T BE FOR **REAL!**

WOW! IT'S A **JUNGLE** OUT THERE!

YOU MUST BE **NEW** IN TOWN! WE'RE USED TO THE WORLD GOING NUTS!

I ALWAYS WANTED THE CITY TO "**GO GREEN**", BUT NOT LIKE **THIS!**

OOF! THANKS, SONIC! HOW CAN I EVER REPAY YOU?

THE NUMBER OF A GOOD **GARDENER** WOULD BE USEFUL!

ELSEWHERE IN THE CITY, SINGER **FABIAN VANE**, HAS HIRED HIMSELF OUT AS A **CROON-A-GRAM** FOR **VALENTINE'S DAY!**

♪ HEY, DUDE, I'LL MAKE IT BAD
I'LL TAKE A SAD SONG
FOR TWO RED SETTERS... ♪

"TO THE TUNE OF THE BEATLES' "HEY JUDE" — Musical Megadroid.

♪ REMEMBER TO-OOOOER! ♪

I DIDN'T KNOW HE COULD SING SOPRANO!

YOU CALL THAT **SINGING?**

SIGH! SAVING A WEED FROM A WEED.

CHHUNK

YO! AMY! I'M IN YOUR DEBT! LET ME SING TO YOU FOR FREE!

THAT'S ONE FREEBIE. I'LL PASS ON, THANKS!

THESE WEEDS PROBABLY ORIGINATE FROM ONE SEED! IF WE COULD —

SAVE THE BIOLOGY LESSON, TEKNO!

JUST **LISTEN** TO HER, IT'S **IMPORTANT!**

THE ONLY WAY TO STOP THE WEED GROWTH IS TO DESTROY THE MAIN **ROOT!**

WOOOSH!

THAT WOULD BE WHERE THE FIRST WEEDS APPEARED, RIGHT? LET'S **GO!**

GILBERT GRUMPY'S GARDEN! I WONDER WHERE THE DOUR DUDE IS RIGHT NOW?

GET OUT OF MY GARDEN! FLIPPIN' HEDGEHOGS!

I BET NOBODY SENT HIM A VALENTINE'S CARD!

WHIZZ

I'M TEMPTED TO LEAVE THE OLD MOANER TRAPPED IN HIS SHED...

OI! DON'T DAMAGE MY LAWN!

SORRY, BUT WE'VE GOT TO GET TO THE ROOT OF THE PROBLEM!

I COULD HAVE TUNNELLED US THROUGH FASTER THAN THE DRILLING MACHINE!

CHILL OUT, SONIC, WE'RE DOING FINE!

DOCTOR! THE HEROES HAVE DISCOVERED THE DOOM SEED!

GET OUT OF THERE, AGENT X! NOW!

YOU WON'T GET FAR, CREEP! UH? HE'S TELEPORTING!

VVUMMM

WE WILL MEET AGAIN, SONIC!

THE DOOM SEED CAN SENSE US! OW!

IT WON'T SENSE ANYTHING AFTER MY SUPER SPIN ATTACK!

WHAP!

GUESS IT'S DOWN TO ME THEN!

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY, DOOM SEED!

FVANNG!

YOU **DID** IT, AMY! IT'S **WEAKENING!**

GOOD JOB ! BROUGHT ALONG THAT BAG OF **WEEDKILLER** FROM GRUMPY'S **SHED!**

BWAFF!

*WITH THE **DOOM SEED** DESTROYED, THE GIANT WEEDS WITHER AND DIE, FREEING THE CITY FROM THEIR CHOKING GRASP...*

LOOKS LIKE WE SAVED THE WORLD AGAIN!

I DON'T SUPPOSE **MISTER GRUMPY** WILL BE TOO HAPPY ABOUT ALL THESE **DEAD WEEDS** IN HIS PRECIOUS GARDEN THOUGH!

ON THE CONTRARY! I CAN USE THESE WEEDS AS **COMPOST!** IT'LL DO WONDERS FOR MY ROSE BUSHES!

GREAT. SO EVERYONE'S HAPPY!

...BUT WE STILL DON'T KNOW WHO **AGENT X** WAS! **NEXT TIME WE MEET I'M GOING TO FIND OUT!**

THE END... BUT THE MYSTERY OF **AGENT X** WILL BE REVEALED IN A FUTURE ISSUE! MEANWHILE, **KEEP GUESSING, BOOMERS!**

NEXT ISSUE
BOUNCY BUBBLE TROUBLE!
SONIC GETS SNARED IN FAN FRICTION!

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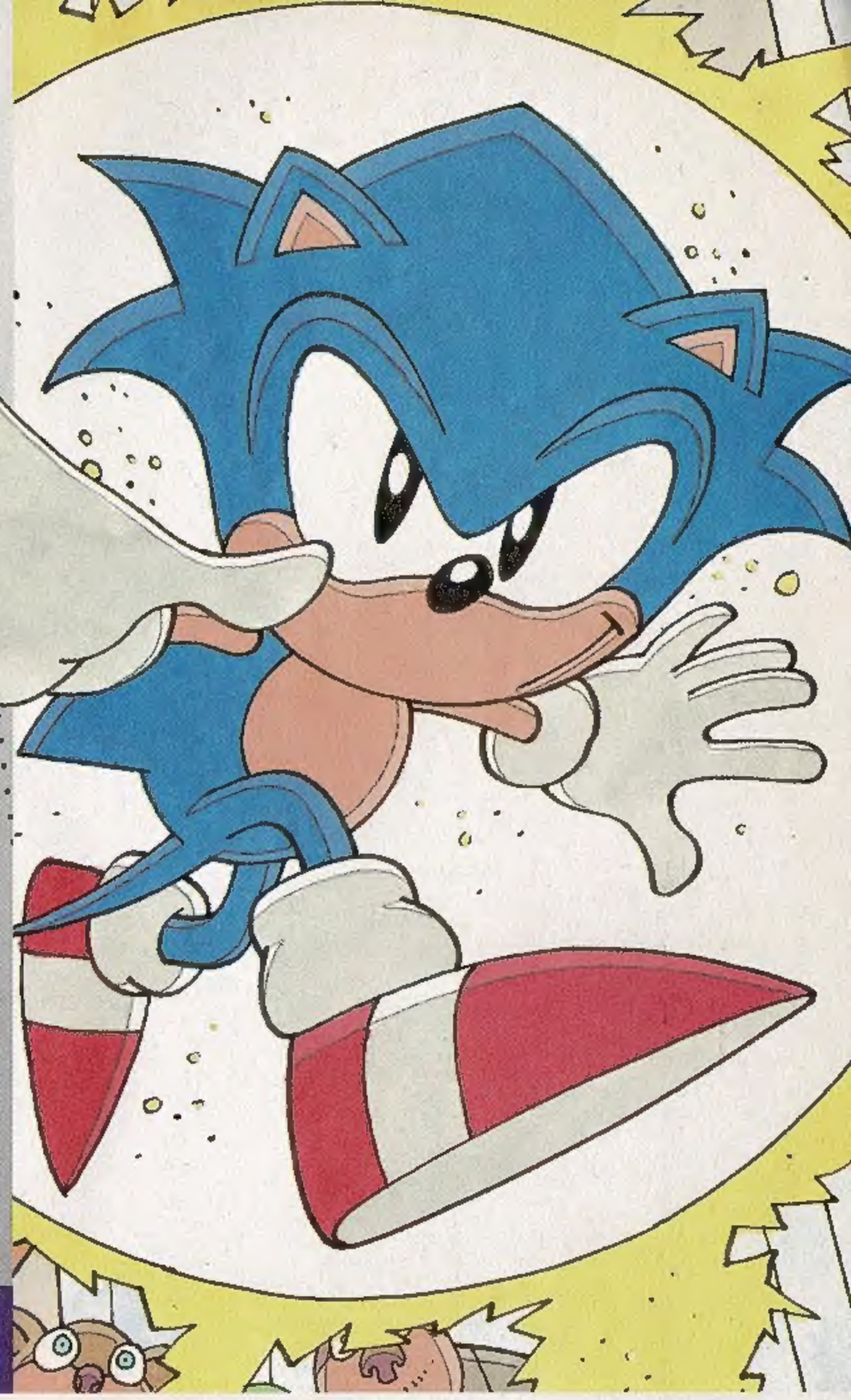

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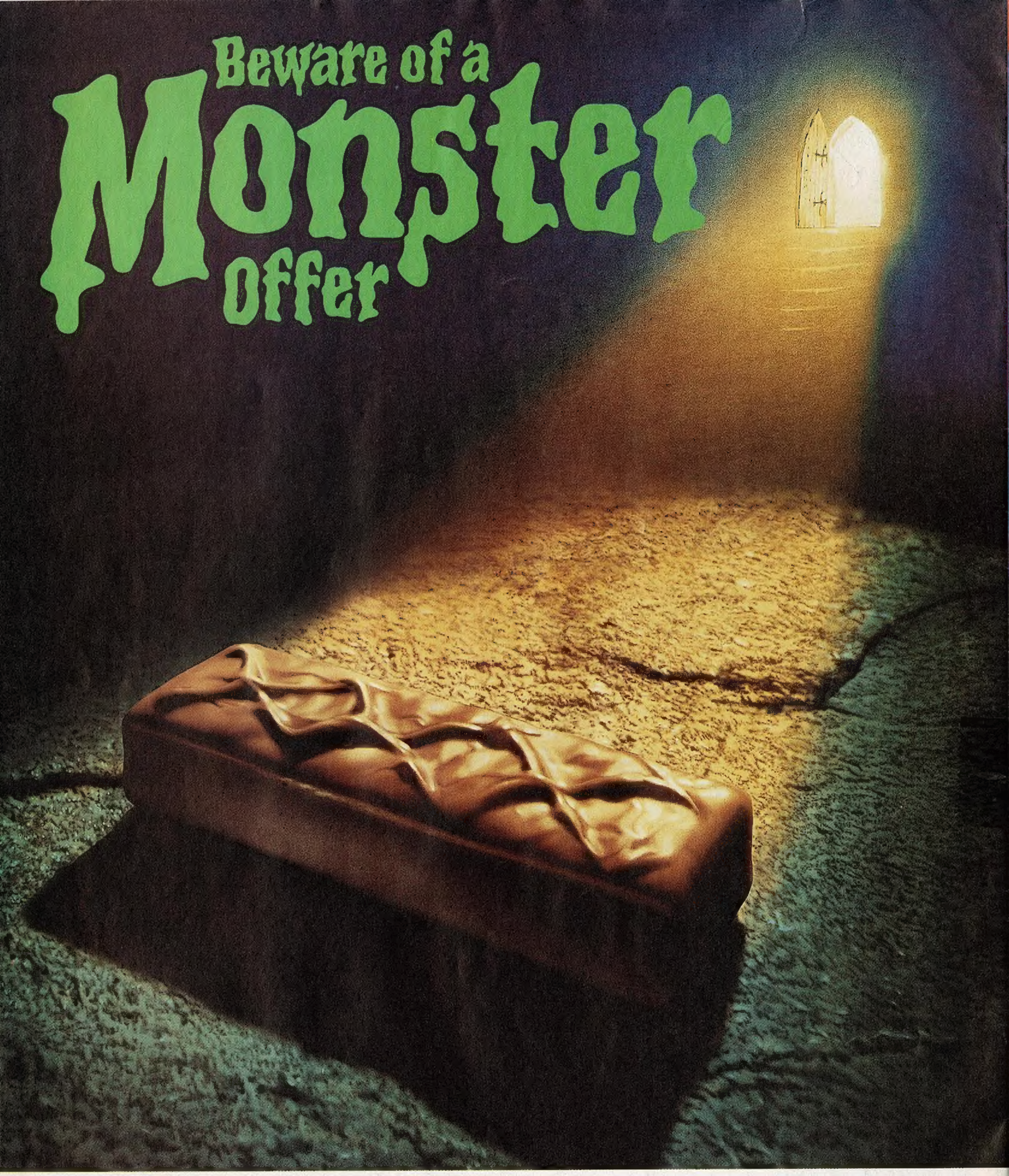

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